CHAPTER 45

(Senate Bill 116)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 47 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition) and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 288 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), to provide that the amounts of the bonds to be given annually by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of each county, the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, the Clerk of the Baltimore City Court, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, the Clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, and the Register of Wills of each county and of Baltimore City shall be fixed in such penal sum as the State Comptroller, with the advice of the State Auditor, shall annually prescribe for each such clerk and for each such register of wills, provided, however, that the State Comptroller may, at any time, require that the penal sum of any such bond be supplemented or increased.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 47 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

47.

[Beginning with November 5, 1946, the clerk of the circuit court for each county, before he acts as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of fourteen thousand dollars; the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, before he acts as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of thirty thousand dollars; the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas before he acts as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars; the clerk of the Baltimore City Court, before he acts as such, the clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, before he acts as such, and the clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, before he acts as such, shall each give bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of \$20,000; the clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, before he acts as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penal sum of \$14,000. Beginning with November 8, 1966 and on December 1 in each year thereafter, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for each county, the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, the Clerk of the Baltimore City Court, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, the Clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City and the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, before they act as such for the following year, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in such penal sum as the State Comptroller, with the advice of the State Auditor, shall annually prescribe for each such clerk; provided, however, that the State Comptroller may at any time require that the penal sum of any such bond be supplemented or increased. Said bonds shall be given by each of said clerks, respectively, with security or securities to be approved by a judge of the court of which he is clerk, and with condition that he faithfully perform the duties of his office and